August, 1991. Examination of complaints received against the drug companies on over-charging is an on-going process and all these cases are at various stages of examination.

Monitoring of production of bulk drugs

3082. SHRI K. G. MAHESHWARAPPA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 688 given in the Rajya Sabha on 28th November, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the names of bulk drugs whose production is being monitored by Government;

(b) what was the price of each of 27 drugs whose production has gone down by more than 20 per cent during the last three years on May 1987, January, 1991 and November, 1991; and

(c) what are the names out of 27 drugs on which concession exempting of custom duty has been granted during the last three years and what are the names of inputs of each drug?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The names of bulk drugs whose production is being monitored are available in the Annual Report of the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals placed in the Parliament Library.

(b) To the extent information available the prices of price controlled bulk drugs are given in the annexed statement. (*See* below)

(c) No concession/exemption of customs duty has been given for the import of these 27 bulk drugs. The number of inputs would be large as these vary for each drug depending on the technology used.

Statement

Item of manufacture	A/c Unit	May, 1987	January, 1991	November, 1991
1. Pen. G Benzothine	Kg.	1873·00	2084·00	2673·00
Pen. G Potasssium	BU	935·00	935·00	935·00
Pen. G Procaine	BU	1082·00	1127·00	1182·00
Pen. G. Sodium	BU	1108·00	1207·00	1481·00
2. Tetracycline	Kg.	971·00	1022·00	1084·00
3. Erythromycin Estolate	Kg.	1992·00	2489·00	2542·00
4. Doxycycline	Kg.	5486·00	4968·00	4968·00
5. Sulphadimidine	Kg.	215·00	278·00	438·00
6. Analgin (Metamizile)	Kg.	224·00	280·00	251·00
7. Baralgan Keytone	Kg.	1810·00	1926·00	1926·00
8. Dexamethasone	Gm.	51·30	92·50	135·33
9. INH	Kg.	209·00	252·00	304·00
10. Metronidazole	Kg.	450·00	482·00	453·00
11. Hydrochlorothiazide	Kg.	463·07	489·00	489·00
12. Xylocaine	Kg.	176·65	281·00	153·00
13. Tetramisole	Kg.	919·00	919·00	919·00
14. Phenobarbitone	Kg.	586·10	743·00	743·00
15. DEC Citrate	Kg.	177·23	284·00	347·00